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Mr. BILL CORLEY, News Manager, National Broadcasting Company (NBC) News, Merchandise Mart, advised as follows:

He recently became News Manager for NBC in Chicago and has administrative control over news items he feels should be investigated by reporters as possible stories of interest.

Several days ago, exact date unknown, it was brought to his attention, from an unrecalled source, that an individual alleged from New York had been arrested by the Chicago Police Department for a minor traffic violation and a search of this individual's automobile resulted in the finding of numerous rounds of ammunition and a weapon, make and caliber unknown. He did not know the name or address of the person arrested and did not know the disposition of the arrest. Inasmuch as the arrest occurred on the same day, November 2, 1963, the late President JOHN F. KENNEDY was to attend the football game between the United States Air Force Academy and the West Point Military Academy at Soldier Field, this arrest became of interest to CORLEY. Subsequently the above arrest became even more interesting to him when he learned of the details of the assassination of the late President. Although he knew of no connection between the individual arrested on November 2, 1963 and the man accused of the assassination, CORLEY assigned a Chicago television reporter, LEN O'CONNOR, to investigate and determine if there could possibly be a connection.

To assist O'CONNOR, CORLEY asked LUKE HESTER, a Chicago NBC employee who formerly worked in New York City if HESTER had any contacts in New York who could check on New York automobile registration 3110RF, inasmuch as this registration plate had some connection with LEE HARVEY OSWALD and the assassination. HESTER later informed CORLEY that the FBI in New York had placed a "freeze" on any information concerning this registration. By "freeze" CORLEY explained he meant that no information could be given out concerning this registration because the FBI had requested New York authorities to keep the information confidential.

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SAs LANSING P. LOGAN & JAMES A. POND/Jel

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CORLEY personally knows of no connection between the aforementioned arrest in Chicago and the assassination of the President. He is still interested in this matter inasmuch as the FBI in New York has put a "freeze" on the license plate information.

CORLEY concluded by stating that if he received any additional information in this matter, he would immediately contact the FBI in Chicago and would cooperate with the FBI in any way possible.

He was unable to supply additional information.